GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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ANGANWADI BUILDINGS
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Panchayats having separate Anganwadi buildings in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether any target has been fixed for the construction of the Anganwadi buildings in all the village panchayats in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the funds sanctioned to the State Governments for the said purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a) to (d): As the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme was designed as a community based outreach programme, there is no provision for construction of Anganwadi Buildings except in North East States under schematic norms. In areas where public buildings are not available, there is provision under the Scheme for hiring of accommodation. However, the States/UTs have been requested, from time to time to tap funds available under various schemes of other Ministries such as Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF), M.P. Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS), M.L.A, Local Area Development Scheme (MLALADS), Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI), Multi Sectoral Development Programme (MSDP), Tribal Development (TD), National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) and State's own funds etc. for construction of Anganwadi buildings.

As per information received from States/ UTs, 24582 Anganwadi buildings have been constructed with assistance from BRGF/ PRI as on 31.03.2010. State-wise details are given in the statement annexed.